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EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 1773
PATENT
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IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Kimiyoshi KITAZAWA et al. Conf.: 8538
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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December 2, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Office Action dated August 2, 2004, the due date for response having been petitioned to be extended one month to December 2, 2004, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This present Amendment includes changes to the claims, and Remarks.

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